

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 149

By Massey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Lieutenant Colonel
Robert Patrick Gleason.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Lieutenant Colonel Robert Patrick Gleason; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Robert Gleason was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Gleason was born on October 3, 1942, to loving parents, John and Elizabeth Gleason; and

WHEREAS, for twenty-seven years, Robert Gleason proudly served in the Tennessee Air National Guard, rising to the rank of lieutenant colonel with an unwavering sense of duty and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, in civilian life, Mr. Gleason served with acumen and alacrity as owner and operator of Pinnacle Sales Company, in which position he earned the respect of his employees and customers alike for the exemplary quality of his work and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Gleason was an avid outdoorsman throughout his life, and he enjoyed riding his bike, fishing, working out, playing with his dogs, and enjoying the company of family and friends; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep faith and spirituality, Lieutenant Colonel Robert Gleason was an active and devout member of the Sacred Heart Cathedral; and

WHEREAS, he was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Robert Gleason enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of fifty-two years, Beverly Duncan Gleason, and was the proud father of Tiffany Ann Gleason, Trisha Gleason Overton, and Joseph Patrick (Leigh) Gleason; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his wife and children, Lieutenant Colonel Gleason is survived by grandchildren, Ashton Morgan Amburn, Conner Patrick Amburn, Blakely Elizabeth Gleason, Skylar Brooke Gleason, Zachary Joseph Gleason, Emmalee Overton, and Abby Overton; great-grandson, Holston Patrick Amburn; brothers-in-law, Congressman Jimmy (Lynn) Duncan and Joe (Cindy) Duncan; sister-in-law, Senator Becky Duncan (Morton) Massey; and many nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Robert Patrick Gleason leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Lieutenant Colonel Robert Patrick Gleason, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Lieutenant Colonel Gleason.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.